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FOR: HUMAN LINEAGE COMMITTED CELL

COMPOSITION WITH ENHANCED PROLIFERATIVE

POTENTIAL, BIOLOGICAL EFFECTOR FUNCTION, OR BOTH;

METHODS FOR OBTAINING SAME; AND THEIR USES

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Applicants request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the rejections of record.

Amendments to the specification are shown on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments are on page of this paper.